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Group Art Unit: 1641

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

Non-Patent Literature Documents

Pradella et al., Clin. Chem. 36:1994-1995 (1990).

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The documents are being submitted within three (3) months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later. Since these documents are being filed within the time period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no fee or statement is required.

The Examiner's attention is directed to copending applications, number 08/512,844, naming Joel M. Blatt and Michael P. Allen as inventors, filed on August 9, 1995 and number 08/642,228 naming Raymond T. Hebert, Joel M. Blatt and Joseph Widunas as inventors and filed on April 30, 1996 and the documents cited therein, a copy of filed IDS's are enclosed. Also included is a copy of parent issued U.S. Patent No. 5,945,345, pp. 1-2.



In accordance with MPEP § 609 III C(2) (August 2001, page 600-131), the Office is requested to return a copy of this Information Disclosure Statement with the Examiner's initials adjacent to this paragraph indicating that these copending applications have been considered. By citation to the copending applications, confidentiality is not waived and the Office is requested to maintain the confidentiality of the copending applications under 35 U.S.C. § 122.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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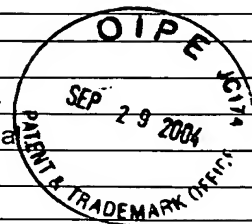
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